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SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY NRS 233B.0608

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- 1. A description of the manner in which comment was solicited from affected small businesses, a summary of their response and an explanation of the manner in which other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.
 - Copies of the proposed regulations, notices of workshop, notices of hearing and notices of intent to act upon the regulation were sent by U.S. mail, email and through social media to persons who were known to have an interest in the subject of NAC 565.210, Brand Inspection Districts, as well as any persons who had specifically requested such notice. These documents were also made available at the website of the Department of Agriculture, www.agri.nv.gov, mailed to all county libraries in Nevada, and posted at the following locations:

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- A public workshop is scheduled for February 11, 2015, at 9:00 a.m. where the
 results of the findings on the impacts on small business will be shared and
 discussed.
- 2. The manner in which the analysis was conducted.
 - Analyses on small businesses was conducted through surveys sent to interested persons and a small business impact forum conducted January 15, 2015 open to the public.
- 3. The estimated economic effect of the proposed regulation on the small businesses which it is to regulate, including, without limitation:
 - There will be no economic effect of the proposed regulation on the small businesses in which it is to regulate.

- 4. A description of the methods that the agency considered to reduce the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses and a statement regarding whether the agency actually used any of those methods.
 - Analyses completed to consider the impacts of the regulation change on small business was conducted through the following manners:
 - Small business impact surveys.
 - Presentations at meetings and conventions regarding proposed change. i.e
 Farm Bureau, Cattleman's convention and other public meetings.
 - Small business impact workshops were offered for the public to attend.
 - o Internal analysis on the impacts and strategies used to enforce and construct new boundaries through the Nevada Department of Agriculture.
- 5. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation.
 - There will be no additional cost associated to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation.
- 6. If the proposed regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.
 - The proposed regulation does not require any new fees and will not increase existing fees.
- 7. If the proposed regulation includes provisions which duplicate or are more stringent than federal, state or local standards regulating the same activity, an explanation of why such duplicative or more stringent provisions are necessary.
 - The proposed regulation does not include provisions which duplicate or are more stringent than federal, state or local standards.
- 8. The reasons for the conclusion of the agency regarding the impact of a regulation on small businesses.
 - After analysis on small business the Nevada Department of Agriculture can conclude that the amendment on NAC 565.210 will impose no impact on small business. Proposed regulation will simplify operations for effected businesses and reduce costs of enforcement on the Department. Proposed change will create a clear and concise boundary for small business to continue operations and receive better assistance from the Nevada Department of Agriculture.

I certify that to the best of my knowledge or belief a concerted effort was made to determine the impact of this proposed regulation on small businesses and that the information contained in this statement is accurate.

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